

The Holstein.

In the Holstein the average farmer has a cow that will give him on an average from six to ten gallons of milk a day, and from ten to twenty pounds of butter a week, and the texture and color of the butter are first class. After the Tri-State Fair held at Toledo, O.; Michigan and Indiana, J. R. Rogers of Pittsfield, Ohio, and I made entries of one tub of factory and one of dairy butter, made from my Holstein full bloods and grade, and committees awarded me the first prize on both. They claimed the butter was finer and of better grain than any other exhibited, and there was a large show of butter of good quality from Jersey and other milk stock.

"I don't deny that Jerseys will make more butter from a given amount of milk, but the larger flow of the Holstein will more than make up the difference, and, contrary to the generally expressed opinion, I consider this a most important item in favor of the Holsteins.

"The Holstein milk, containing as it does a large per cent of casein and other solids, is still worth half the price of new milk for making cheese and feeding new stock, and will largely help toward the keeping of the cows. Calves can be fattened on skimmed Holstein milk. A high authority states that he has produced a growth of 100 pounds per month on calves fed only on Holstein skim milk. It is notorious that the small amount of skimmed milk left from the light yield of noted butter breeds is almost entirely worthless for feeding young stock.

"In all the leading cheese districts of the North, notably Northern New York, Northern Pennsylvania, Northern Ohio and a large district of Indiana and Illinois, the factory men are introducing the Holsteins.—Iowa Farmer.

Milk Work.

The Paris reports that the drummers and trumpeters of the German Army are hard at work learning the beats and calls of the French troops. It also alleges that in many engagements in the war of 1870 the command to cease firing was often given to the French infantry by German buglers, and that the command to halt, sounded by the same buglers often stopped a charge of French cavalry and placed them in a position where they could be mowed down. The above may fairly be classed as milk work. If old Napoleon were at the helm this game would not be played more than once.

A New Opera House.

From C. W. Borton a Gazette reporter learns that McKissick & Sheldon have decided to put up an opera house on the corner of Plaza and Sierra streets in Reno. The building is to be of brick, 50 by 90 feet, two stories high, with a seating capacity of 1,000 people. The lower part is to be arranged for two stores. The seats of the dress circle are to be elevated and of the latest style; each chair will contain a hat rack and a cane and umbrella holder. Mr. Borton says work will be commenced on the new building as soon as the brick can be made, and he thinks the house will be ready for occupancy before December next.

Why Not?

The President has appointed Editor Irish, of the Alta, Postmaster Byrne and John F. Swift, to select the new Post Office site for San Francisco. Some of the papers are much "surprised" over the appointments. The people are intelligent men. If some old political fossil had been appointed, then of course there would have been no surprise.

—The Czar of Russia locks himself up in a boiler room every day, and dare not poke his head out of the window for fear of having it blown off. William of Germany walks around the town drinking beer and eating pretzels with his people. Why the devil don't the Czar adopt the other fellow's style of running his country.

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